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TO: Council Members

FROM: S. Derek Phelps, Executive Director

RE: **DOCKET NO. 401** - T-Mobile Northeast, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 208 Valley Road, New Canaan, Connecticut.

I. Introduction

The application is from T-Mobile Northeast LLC for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 120-foot telecommunications facility and associated equipment in the Town of New Canaan, Connecticut. The proposed facility received a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need (Certificate) from the Council on October 26, 2004 in Docket No. 243. The Certificate expired on October 26, 2005.

The proposed facility would provide coverage to Valley Road, Silvermine Road, portions of Route 123, and the surrounding area. The proposed site is located in the northern portion of an approximately 42 acre parcel at 208 Valley Road in New Canaan. Silver Hill Hospital is located on the parcel.

II. Technical

The application includes relevant maps, descriptions of the proposed site, costs, a description of the environmental effects of the proposed construction, and health and safety information. The application meets statutory technical requirements for processing the application. Council staff believes additional information can be obtained through pre-hearing interrogatories. This project would not require an outside consultant.

III. Administrative Review

The applicant has stated that all service and filing requirements pursuant to General Statutes § 16-501 (b) have been fulfilled. The applicant stated that notice to the general public was published on two occasions in *The Stamford Advocate* and *The Norwalk Hour*.

IV. Procedural

The Council must schedule a hearing for the proceeding between 30 and 150 days after receipt of an application. The Council must also appoint a custodian of the docket and designate a place for the deposition of the transcript. Staff recommends designating Jessica Brito-Weston as custodian of the docket, holding the public hearing in the Town of New Canaan on Tuesday, July 13, 2010, and depositing the transcript in the New Canaan Town Hall.

V. Proposed Schedule

Application received	04/06/10
Completeness review	05/18/10
Pre-hearing Questions	(Tentative Dates)
• Set-One Filed	05/21/10
• Set-One responses due	06/14/10
Pre-hearing conference (10:00 a.m.)	06/24/10
Final Exchange of Interrogatories between Participants	06/29/10
Pre-filed testimony due	07/06/10
Deadline to request Party/Intervenor status	07/06/10
Field review (2:00 p.m.)	07/13/10
Hearing (3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.)	07/13/10
Close of Record	08/12/10
Draft Findings of Fact	09/09/10 (tentative)
Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision & Order	09/23/10 (tentative)
C.G.S. Deadline for Decision (180 days)	10/04/10

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